

Fern Marie Cook, 80

June 28, 1916-Aug. 20, 1996

Elk Horn - Fern Marie Cook was born June 28, 1916 to Alfred and Christina Hansen Jorgensen in rural Elk Horn. Alfred was her biological father, however she always considered Anton as her dad. She died Aug. 20, 1996 at the Mercy Care Center in Omaha at age 80.

She was a lifelong resident of the Elk Horn and Kimballton areas where she attended school through high school.

March 31, 1939 she married William D. Cook in Des Moines. She had worked as a Nurses Aid for about 20 years. She was a lifelong member of the Elk Horn Lutheran Church and was active with the Ladies Circle of the church.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband, William; a grandson; a granddaughter and one brother. She is survived by her son, Jerry Cook (Kay) of Omaha; 12 grandchildren; 34 great grandchildren; two sisters, Phyllis Jorgensen (Mervin) of rural Kimballton and Verdie Christensen (Sidney) of Elk Horn and other relatives.

Funeral services were held Aug. 24, 1996 at the Elk Horn Lutheran Church with Pastor Stephen Gronseth officiating. Burial was in the Elk Horn cemetery. Casket bearers were Robert Cook, Richard Cook, Marty Erickson, Thomas Cook, Alan Johnston and Charles Parkhurst. Steen Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.